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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Stephen A. Thomas, et al.	)	Examiner: Agustin Bello
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Serial No.: 10/045,652	)	Art Unit: 2633
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Filed: October 26, 2001	)	Confirmation No.: 1907
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For: Method and System for Processing	)	Attorney Docket No.: 08286.105004
Downstream Packets of an Optical Network	)	
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 8, 2006

Sir:

The above-identified Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time within which to file a Response to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 8, 2006, to expire September 8, 2006.

Please charge \$510.00 for the extension of time to Deposit Account No. 11-0980. The Director is further hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0980 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to: Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Amendment, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, Attn: Examiner Bello, GAU 2633, Facsimile No. (571) 273-8300 on September 8, 2006.

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